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SUBJECT: PORTUGAL AND NATO SECURITY: PARTICIPATION IN WINTEX 77

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1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH USNATO RECOMMENDATION THAT WE RELAX
THE TRANSMISSION RESTRICTIONS TO LISBON FOR THAT NATO SECRET
INFORMATION DIRECTLY RELATED TO WINTEX-77.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES WE SHOULD BE AS FORTHCOMING AS POSSIBLE
ON THIS MATTER. THE PORTUGUESE HAVE MADE MAJOR PROGRESS IN
GETTING THEIR MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT UNDER CONTROL AND FORCING
FAR LEFT AND COMMUNIST SYMPATHIZERS OUT OF POSITIONS OF
RESPONSIBILITY. PRESIDENT EANES AND HIS MILITARY HIGH COMMAND
ARE SOLIDLY BEHIND FULL PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN NATO.
THEIR POSITION WITHIN ARMED FORCES WILL BE WEAKENED IF WE
ARE NOT ABLE TO RECIPROCATE TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT CONSISTENT
WITH REASONABLE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS.
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